Resolution in Honor of Retiring Professor Julie Brown

May 2, 2025

**Whereas,** Julie Brown has dedicated over 30 years to teaching chemistry, math, physical science, and occasionally Zumba at Woodland Community College and Yuba College; and

**Whereas**, as a woman in a STEM field, Julie has served as a role model to countless students; and

**Whereas,** as the sole full-time faculty in her area for many years, Julie created the Chemistry AS-T and advocated for an additional faculty position to support her program as it grew; and

**Whereas,** Julie served as a member of the Curriculum Committee, overseeing the creation of new programs outside of her own discipline; and

**Whereas,** Julie served a member of the WCC Academic Senate, including a term as Vice President; and

**Whereas,** Julie served as WCC’s first faculty accreditation chair, leading us through initial accreditation and our first full cycle as California’s 110th community college; and

**Whereas,** Julie was WCC’s first Distance Education coordinator, guiding us through the early years of DE and paving the way for CVC alignment; and

**Whereas,** Julie has always been ahead of her time as an early adopter of DE and OER and the first person to recognize the need for new positions like instructional designer; and

**Whereas,** Julie has mentored many faculty members through the tenure process as both a Senate appointee and a peer evaluator; and

**Whereas,** no matter how stressful her job gets, Julie always maintains her youthful spirit, her ability to rock an outfit from Forever 21, and her identity as a Disney super fan; and

**Whereas,** regardless of the situation, she is unafraid to call us out with her trademark, “*Dude!*”;

**Therefore, be it resolved,** that the Senate recognizes Julie for her years of teaching and leadership and her many contributions to WCC; and

**Therefore, be it further resolved**, that the Senate wishes Julie a well-deserved, joyous, and fulfilling retirement and many happy trips to her home away from home (Disneyland).

**On behalf of the 2024-2025 WCC Academic Senate,**

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**Professor Aree Metz, WCCAS President**